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April showers continued to delay tillage most of the month for producers in western Washington. In early April, wheat fields in Skagit County required helicopter applications of pesticides due to the high soil moisture. Near the end of the month, warmer temperatures and sunbreaks allowed more producers to get into their fields. Forage production was ahead of schedule in the west, but wet conditions have delayed pasturing. In Pacific County, oyster harvest continued. Near the end of April, tulip cut flower harvest was completed in Grays Harbor County.

Spring wheat and barley seeding in the Palouse progressed well ahead of last year. Warm temperatures near the end of April also helped promote growth in winter wheat. In the central and eastern region, cattle were prepared to move onto spring range. Fieldwork in central Washington focused on preparation for the irrigation season. Frost control measures were implemented in the Yakima Valley, and damage was present but slight. Tree fruit continued to develop about five to ten days ahead of normal in Yakima County and bud breaks in Concord Grapes were a week early in Benton County. Asparagus harvest continued in central Washington, while potatoes, onions, carrots, sweet corn, and vegetable seed crops were also being planted.

FLORICULTURE

Number of Growers, Growing Area, & Wholesale Value, Washington, 2001-2002

Year	Total Number of Growers	Covered Greenhouses			
		Glass	Fiberglass	Film Plastic	Total
2001	197	1,000 Square Feet			
2002	187	1,973	565	6,108	8,646
		2,820	1,063	6,467	10,350
Year	Shade & Temporary Cover	Total Covered Area	Open Ground	Expanded Wholesale Value of Reported Crops 1/	
2001	257	8,903	1,369	\$1,000 98,399	
2002	267	10,617	1,675	103,533	

1/ Wholesale value of sales as reported by growers with \$100,000 or more in sales of floriculture crops plus a calculated wholesale value of sales for growers with sales below \$100,000. The value of sales for growers below the \$100,000 level was estimated by multiplying the number of growers in each size group by the mid-point of each dollar value range.

Chickens & Eggs: Production & Income, Washington, 1993-2002 1/

Year	Chickens					Eggs		
	Number Lost 2/	Number Sold For Slaughter	Pounds Sold	Price Per Pound	Value of Sales	Eggs Produced	Price Per Dozen 3/	Value of Production
<div> <div>1,000</div> <div>Cents</div> <div>1,000 Dollars</div> </div> <div> <div>Millions</div> <div>Cents</div> <div>1,000 Dollars</div> </div>								
1993	580	3,600	12,960	2.0	259	1,283	69.8	74,628
1994	620	3,800	13,680	2.0	274	1,371	73.0	83,403
1995	1,090	3,500	12,950	2.0	259	1,455	76.9	93,241
1996	1,170	3,200	11,200	2.0	224	1,412	76.4	89,897
1997	1,000	3,000	10,200	2.0	204	1,379	65.3	75,024
1998	648	3,209	10,911	2.0	218	1,394	59.4	69,023
1999	643	3,094	10,520	1.0	105	1,312	54.0	59,031
2000	671	2,683	9,122	1.0	91	1,306	54.9	59,759
2001	716	2,723	9,531	0.1	10	1,339	56.0	62,501
2002	569	2,272	7,498	0.1	7	1,369	48.6	55,445

1/ Estimates cover the 12 month period December 1, previous year through November 30, and excludes broilers. 2/ Includes rendered, died, destroyed, composted or disappeared for any reason during the 12-month period. 3/ Average of all eggs, including hatching eggs.

LIVESTOCK: BALANCE SHEET, WASHINGTON, 2001-2002 * 6/

Livestock & Year	Beginning Inventory	Births	Inshipments	Marketings 1/	Farm Slaughter 2/	Deaths	Ending Inventory
1,000 Head							
Cattle & Calves 3/	Calves			Cattle	Calves	Cattle	Calves
2001 *	1,180	460	235	670	14	24	27
2002	1,130	450	290	700	16	20	24
Sheep & Lambs 3/	Lambs			Sheep	Lambs	Sheep	Lambs
2001 4/ *	54	58	3.0	3.0	49.0	3.0	3.0
2002 4/	56	56	4.0	9.0	49.5	2.5	3.0
Hogs & Pigs 5/	Pigs			Hogs/Pigs		Hogs/Pigs	
2001 *	27	48	3.1	50.5	2.0	1.6	
2002	24	42	3.4	42.4	1.5	1.5	

* 2001 Revised.

1/ Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and state outshipments, but excludes interfarm sales within the state.

2/ Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments. 3/ Inventory runs from January 1 current year to January 1 following year. 4/ Includes new crop lambs. 5/ Inventory runs from December 1 previous year to December 1 current year. 6/ Balance sheet estimates; the sum of beginning inventory, calf crop, and inshipments is equal to the sum of marketings, farm slaughter, deaths, and ending inventory.

LIVESTOCK: PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, & INCOME, WASHINGTON

Livestock & Year	Production 1/	Marketings 2/	Price Per Cwt.	Value of Production 6/	Cash Receipts 3/ 6/	Value of Home Consumption	Gross Income
Cattle & Calves 4/		1,000 Pounds		1,000 Dollars			
			Dollars	Cattle	Calves		
2001 *	643,794	835,560	78.20 95.70	492,641	654,241	7,300	661,541
2002	663,388	880,440	69.70 82.90	451,016	614,385	6,645	621,030
Sheep & Lambs 4/		1,000 Pounds		1,000 Dollars			
			Dollars	Sheep	Lambs		
2001 *	4,953	4,665	31.30 65.00	3,080	2,901	236	3,137
2002	4,732	5,490	28.60 69.00	3,025	3,315	253	3,568
Hogs & Pigs 5/		1,000 Pounds		1,000 Dollars			
			Dollars	Hogs/Pigs			
2001 *	11,430	11,088	44.10	5,121	4,970	527	5,497
2002	9,728	9,679	36.40	3,578	3,629	290	3,919

* 2001 Revised.

1/ Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments. 2/ Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the state. 3/ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. 4/ Inventory runs from January 1 current year to January 1 following year. 5/ Inventory runs from December 1 previous year to December 1 current year. 6/ Includes allowance for higher average price of state inshipments and outshipments of feeder pigs.

MANUFACTURED DAIRY PRODUCTS, WASHINGTON, 2001-2002

Month & Annual	Ice Cream (Regular)				Ice Cream, Lowfat				Milk Sherbet			
	Total 1/		Mix		Total 2/		Mix 3/		Total 2/		Mix	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
1,000 Gallons												
January	1,507	1,450	788	788	604	540	217	212	130	75	78	46
February	1,401	1,217	675	555	694	485	250	204	153	72	83	43
March	1,702	1,279	885	633	804	601	289	243	121	39	72	22
April	1,370	1,275	766	635	646	540	221	217	106	64	60	27
May	1,309	1,491	676	642	839	492	313	210	177	81	100	48
June	1,793	1,427	957	693	966	685	335	275	162	79	95	55
July	1,581	1,807	792	937	886	702	323	286	99	91	59	57
August	1,277	1,484	669	792	874	757	319	306	101	26	60	24
September	936	921	489	582	681	514	241	214	49	49	29	33
October	1,055	870	532	519	672	548	235	225	51	47	31	38
November	1,292	836	678	453	587	387	197	157	47	54	29	42
December	989	861	513	511	485	512	141	198	71	8	46	10
Annual	16,188	14,918	8,420	7,740	8,795	6,763	3,081	2,747	1,106	685	742	445

1/ Contains minimum milkfat content of 10 percent and not less than 4.5 pounds per gallon. 2/ Includes hard, soft-serve, and freezer-made milkshake. Contains less than 10 percent milkfat required for ice cream. 3/ Includes milkshake mix.

MILK PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION, & INCOME, WASHINGTON

MILK COWS & PRODUCTION OF MILK & MILKFAT, 1998-2002

Year	Number of Milk Cows 2/	Production of Milk & Milkfat 1/				
		Per Milk Cow		Percentage of fat in All Milk Produced	Total	
		Milk	Milkfat		Milk	Milkfat
	1,000 Head	Pounds		Percent	Million Pounds	
1998	248	21,476	786	3.66	5,326	194.9
1999	247	22,409	818	3.65	5,535	202.0
2000	247	22,644	827	3.65	5,593	204.1
2001 3/	247	22,324	817	3.66	5,514	201.8
2002	247	22,753	835	3.67	5,620	206.3

1/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

2/ Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh.

3/ 2001 Revised.

QUANTITY OF MILK USED AND MARKETING BY PRODUCERS, 1998-2002

Year	Milk Used Where Produced			Milk Marketed by Producers	
	Fed to Calves 1/	Used for Milk, Cream, & Butter	Total	Total Quantity 2/	Fluid Grade 3/
	Million Pounds				
1998	26	1	27	5,299	100
1999	29	1	30	5,505	100
2000	35	2	37	5,556	100
2001	33	1	34	5,480	100
2002	27	1	28	5,592	100

1/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

2/ Milk sold to plants and dealers as whole milk and equivalent amounts of milk for cream. Includes milk produced by dealer's own herds and milk sold directly to consumers. Also includes milk produced by institutional herds.

3/ Percentage of milk sold that is eligible for fluid use (Grade A in most States). Includes fluid-grade milk used in manufacturing dairy products.

MILK & CREAM: MARKETINGS & INCOME, VALUE OF MILK PRODUCTION, 1998-2002

Year	Combined Marketings of Milk & Cream				Used for Milk, Cream, & Butter by Producers		Gross Producer Income 3/	Value of Milk Produced 2/ 4/
	Milk Utilized	Average Returns 1/		Cash Receipts from Marketings				
		Per Cwt. Milk	Per lb. Milkfat		Milk Utilized	Value 2/		
	Mill. Lbs.	Dollars		\$1,000	Million lbs.	\$1,000	\$1,000	
1998	5,299	15.90	4.34	842,541	1	159	842,700	846,834
1999	5,505	14.90	4.08	820,245	1	149	820,394	824,715
2000	5,556	12.80	3.51	711,168	2	256	711,424	715,904
2001	5,480	15.00	4.10	822,000	1	150	822,150	827,100
2002	5,592	12.00	3.27	671,040	1	120	671,160	674,400

1/ Cash receipts divided by milk or milkfat in combined marketings.

2/ Valued at average returns per 100 pounds of milk in combined marketings of milk and cream.

3/ Cash receipts from marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk used for home consumption.

4/ Includes value of milk fed to calves.

PRICES

AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMS BY FARM PRODUCTS (DOLLARS/UNIT)

Commodity	Unit	Entire Month		Prelim. Apr. 2003	Entire Month		Prelim. Apr. 2003	U.S. Parity Price
		Apr. 2002	Mar. 2003		Apr. 2002	Mar. 2003		
		Washington			United States			
Wheat, All	Bu.	3.07	3.44	3.49	2.83	3.54	3.34	9.68
Wheat, Spring	Bu.	3.28	3.75	3.81	2.91	3.71	3.57	-
Wheat, Winter	Bu.	3.00	3.36	3.40	2.75	3.29	3.17	-
Barley	Bu.	2.07	2.63	2.77	2.09	2.83	2.87	6.55
Corn	Bu.	-	-	-	1.91	2.33	2.35	6.62
Oats	Bu.	-	-	-	1.99	2.08	1.98	4.13
Dry Edible Beans	Cwt.	-	-	-	27.50	15.20	15.50	50.50
Potatoes, All	Cwt.	7.45	6.00	6.10	8.00	6.68	7.11	13.80
Potatoes, Processed	Cwt.	5.45	5.60	-	8.63	5.33	-	-
Hay, All (baled) 1/	Tons	130.00	113.00	114.00	98.30	92.80	94.50	-
Alfalfa (baled) 1/	Tons	115.00	103.00	100.00	103.00	96.20	96.20	-
Other Hay (baled) 1/	Tons	150.00	132.00	132.00	79.50	82.30	86.40	-
Hops	Lbs.	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.34
Apples, Fresh 2/	Lbs.	.227	.222	.232	.218	.226	.234	.488
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	-	-	-	67.30	72.70	75.00	161.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	-	-	-	70.60	76.70	79.30	-
Calves	Cwt.	-	-	-	101.00	97.00	99.10	216.00
Milk Cows 3/	Head	1,730.00	-	1,290.00	1,710.00	-	1,300.00	-
Broilers, Live 4/	Lbs.	-	-	-	.280	.330	.310	-
Eggs, Table 1/	Doz.	.380	.575	.580	.325	.518	.520	1.59
Milk, All Wholesale 5/	Cwt.	12.40	11.00	10.80	12.50	11.00	10.90	33.50
Hogs, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	31.70	34.70	33.80	103.00
Sheep	Cwt.	-	-	-	26.00	40.20	-	79.10
Lambs	Cwt.	-	-	-	64.70	97.10	-	185.00

1/ All prices are mid-month estimates.

2/ Equivalent packinghouse door returns for apples for CA, MI, NY, & WA. Prices as sold for other states.

3/ Dairy cows sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices estimated quarterly (January, April, July, and October).

4/ Liveweight equivalent price to producers, includes growers and contractors combined.

5/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.